Rookie year

White finishing season

Larry White of Appomattox raced his number 77 Camaro Saturday night at Franklin County Speedway and finished eighth in the V-8 Limited Class.

White raced the previous weekend at South Boston, but experienced difficulties with his car and finished tenth. He had been running third when mechanical problems developed late in the race.

White says he plans to run again Sept. 18 at South Boston, when the Miller High Life 300 will be held.

"Depending on how things develop, that may be our last race this year," White says. "But there is a chance we may get in two more races at Franklin before the year ends," he adds.

Larry White and his Number 77 camaro

White, who has been a racing fan since 1972, began racing professionally this year.

"We've been really lucky," says White. "Only one of our team has any racing experience, and we've had to feel our way through the

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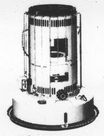

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1983 wheat signup program is rescheduled

By Tom Conrad

1983 Wheat signup program rescheduled - Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block has recently announced that because of legislation proposed by Congress, he has rescheduled the signup period for the 1983 wheat program to begin Oct. 1 instead of Sept. 7. It will continue through March 31.

Winter wheat producers must comply with the program provisions to be eligible for the wheat reserve program, loans, and purchases and payments for the 1983 wheat crop. The 1983 wheat loan rate will be $3.65 per bushel. The target price will be $4.30 per bushel.

Instead of the 20 percent acerage reduction program announced by the USDA on July 14, the new legislation provides for a combination 15 percent acerage reduction and five percent paid land diversion. The land diversion payment is based on $2.70 per bushel times the farm yield times the acres diverted. Producers must limit the wheat acerage planted for harvest to no more than 80 percent of the farm's wheat base. They must also devote to conservation uses and acerage equal to both the acerage reduction and land diversion requirements.

Block noted that any changes in the program are contingent on President Reagan signing the reconciliation legislation.

Producers, at the time they sign up for the program, may request an advance of 50 percent of the diversion payment and of any projected deficiency payment. The projected deficiency payment rate will be announced before signup begins.

A producer accepting an advance payment, but who later does not comply with program provisions, must refund the amount of the advance payment with interest. Interest charged will be the rate in effect for commodity loans on the date of the advance payment, plus five percentage points.

The new legislation requires the 1983 wheat acerage base to remain the same as the base established for the 1982 wheat crop.

Land designated for conservation use must have been devoted to row crops or small grains in two of the last three years. Land use for conservation use acerage in 1982 will be regarded as having been cropped in meeting this requirement.

There are two exceptions. The first is for a summer fallow farm for which the cropping requirement is for only one of the previous two years. The other exception is for crop land which met 1982 eligibility requirements for conservation use and was devoted to a permanent conservation practice. If the permanent conservation practice is maintained, such acerage will be eligible as conservation use acerage through the 1985 crop year. These conservation practices may be eligible for cost-share payment under the Agricultural Conservation Program.

Neither cross compliance nor offsetting compliance will apply to the 1983 wheat program.

Block also said he will announce the 1983 feed grain program in September with signup starting Oct. 1.

The 1983 wheat and feed grain crops will again be eligible for the farmer-owned grain reserve program. However, new rotation provisions will be effective with grain reserve agreements on the 1983 cro The rotation provisions will only be available to replace, within 15 days, reserve grain that is going out of condition.

The replacement grain may be: (1) grain the producer has on hand, (2) grain which is purchased by the producer, or (3) grain which is from the producer's new crop.

Deficiency payments or 1982-crop wheat will be made to eligible producers as soon as practical after Oct. 1.

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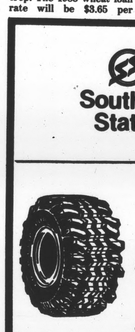

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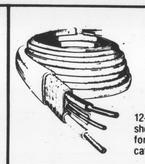

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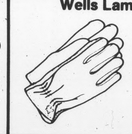

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Cancer study program starts

The seemingly ordinary lives we lead...the conditions we live, work and play under, the products we use, the food we eat...all may increase our risk of developing cancer. To learn what exactly in our lifestyle and environment poses a health threat, we need to rely on research studies like the American Cancer Society's current Cancer Prevention Study II.

Last week marked the start of Cancer Prevention Study II in Virginia and communities all over the country. Local Society volunteers have taken on the task of being the researchers, asking their friends and neighbors to participate in the study by filling out a detailed health and lifestyle questionnaire.

Their volunteer support means a savings of $87 million for a study now estimated to cost $13 million instead of $100 million. At today's inflated prices, that's a large bargain for a study of the scope and importance as CPSII.

The Society's first Cancer Prevention Study (1959-1972) was instrumental in informing the American public about the dangers of smoking. The study indentified cigarettes as the culprit behind lung cancer and heart disease. This is a fact that we take almost for granted these days, but documentation was still meager until then.

At this time of great public concern over possible enviromental causes of cancer, there is a definite need. With rumors flying that just about everything causes cancer, the study will help identify which factors really do pose a serious threat to our health. Are X-rays safe? Can birth control pills do more harm than good? How dangerous is that morning cup of coffee? These questions and many others hopefully will get answered by the study findings, and perhaps shed light on what can be done to reduce the risk of cancer and other diseases.

More than 30,000 Virginians are among the one million American men and women who will take part in the study, and if you're one of those asked to participate, we urge your cooperation. The study will take up little of your time...filling out an easy-to-follow questionnaire for now, and responding to a few questions from your ACS volunteer researcher two years from now. The study's finding's are difficult to predict, but we share the optimism of Dr. Robert V.P. Hutter, national president of the ACS, who hopes that the Cancer Prevention Study II will help us plan a world without cancer for all children.

Raider Review

By Jennifer Inge

Something new is in the works at ACHS. An English composition class is being offered for those seniors planning to go to college.

The courses in English Composition 111-112-113 will begin with the fall quarter 1982 and be completed in the spring quarter 1983. The class will meet every Monday night at Appomattox County High School from 7 p.m. to 9:40 p.m. English 111-112-113 are three credits each and will easily transfer to other colleges.

The course is being offered as a supplement to the regular English 12 classes and will not be in lieu of the required class. "The course will better prepare ACHS students for college," according to Mrs. Joyce Jamerson, 12th grade guidance counselor.

Sports are always a big part of student life at ACHS. Athletes and fans, alike, are looking forward to another great year. The regular football season is off to a good start with the Raiders winning their first game against Gretna. The pep rally was also a big success with the seniors winning the spirit stick last Friday. The Raiders will battle Randolph-Henry away this Friday night.

The Raiderettes hosted their first home basketball game this past Tuesday night. They played Jefferson Forest.

As students settle into their classes, the **Raider Report** staff gets settled in for another year. Mrs. Covington, advisor, and Phil Agee, editor-in-chief, have been busy the last week planning the 1982-83 **Raider Report** staff. They have also begun planning the advertising campaign. The staff plans to start selling advertisements by next week. The staff hopes to receive enthusiastic responses from the business community.

Kenneth O'Brien in SAC exercise

Sgt. Kenneth R. O'Brien, son of Racheal G. O'Brien of Route 3, Appomattox, has participated in an Air Force Strategic Air Command (SAC) exercise called Global Shield 82.

O'Brien, a telephone repair specialist with the 2192nd Communications Squadron, Loring Air Force Base, Maine, joined others from all SAC units in the United States and selected Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard units to take part in command post and field training exercises. Global Shield 82 was the fourth such exercise held by the command in as many years. It was designed to enhance readiness and the ability of the command to carry out orders which support U.S. national policy, should deterrance fail.

Components of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, as well as elements of the Canadian forces, also participated in the exercise.

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